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	AB	4-360228	12-14-1992	Japan			X
	AC	8-305529	11-22-1996	Japan			X
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**OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)**

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JP 2001-228840 (Reference AF) corresponds to US 6,580,438 (Reference AA).

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<b>LIST OF ADDITIONAL SUBMITTED DOCUMENTS</b>	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	APPLICATION NO.
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